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Goldwater Honored By NOFARS

By Howard Kelley, K4DSN

One of the nation's most noted hams -- Barry M. Goldwater, K7UGA, has received recognition for his efforts in keeping hamming a vital and important hobby, from the North Florida Amateur Radio Society.

Goldwater, recently in Jacksonville for an address before the Metropolitan Dinner Club, entertained past president Landon Hoyt, W4PLE and his wife, Betty, after the speech.

Hoyt says Goldwater talked at length about hamming; asking questions about local clubs and activity. (Editors Note: K7UGA goes on our SKIP Mailing list today.)

Goldwater was presented a NOFARS Plaque acknowledging his efforts toward reciprocal agreements and other legislation affecting amateur radio. The one time presidential candidate said he had a place on his shack wall for the plaque. His shack, by the way, is his Arizona guest house since his XYL evicted his rig from the main house.

Hoyt said Goldwater is very active, operating from both his home QTH, Washington, D.C.

and mobile. During the past year K7UGA has handled more than 1,300 phone patches from American service men in Vietnam and Southeast Asia.

(From NOFARS Balanced Modulator)



FROM
WA4DHU, W4FWI, W4GGQ
W4IYT, W4JO and W4IEH —
the amateurs that get your
SKIP out each month.

SILENT KEYS

His many friends including fellow members of Florida Two Army MARS, are mourning the untimely passing on Oct. 18, of AA4MXZ, Friley B. Knight, of Melbourne. Our deepest sympathy to his brother Fred B. (Fritz) Knight, A4BIH of Lakeland and to his sister, Mrs. C. W. Sembler of Sebastian.

Mrs. Margaret K. Clark, 83, Nov. 4th, mother of your editor.

Many thanks for all the cards, radiograms and flowers.

Late News Flash

SPARC will hold their Xmas Party, Sunday, December 10th, at the Club House, 1331 Beach Drive S.E. They will have a covered dish and their own service. There will be the usual gift exchange: man brings a gift for a man and woman for woman, etc. The gift not to exceed \$1.00. Come join the fun.



THESE FOUR ARRL OFFICIALS are looking forward to working with you in 1968. L to R: Al Hamel K4SJH, Vice Dir. SE Div; Mac McKechnie W4IKB, SEC W. Fla.; Andy Clark W4IYT, SEC E. Fla. and Frank Butler W4RKH, SCM W. Fla. (Frank was recently reelected for another term.)
(Photo by W4IKB)

Now Official - FD Winners

Florida SKIP is happy to announce the 1967 Field Day trophy winners, highest score in Florida: North Florida Amateur Radio Society (K4IZ) of Jacksonville with 10,659 points on 1,675 contacts. They are the

second-year winners of the BIG trophy. (One more win and they keep it.) This score will be hard to beat next year. (See Nov. QST for all scores.)

Winner of the 1 transmitter FD Florida SKIP trophy goes to the Beaches Amateur Radio Society (W4CQQ) of Jacksonville Beach. The Beachers racked up 5,584 points with 864 contacts. A beautiful score for only one rig.

We're Not Alone

Last month SKIP published the new incentive licensing frequencies. Tear it up. You will find a corrected listing in this issue. Several typos got by our proof-reader and we are sorry.

Even FCC makes mistakes on this incentive licensing bit. See page 77 of the November QST for another BOO-BOO. Oh well, back to our practice code tapes.

Congratulations to both societies AGAIN. The FD Trophy Awards will be made in Jacksonville this year since the 1968 Hamboree has been cancelled. Watch for announcement date in next issue.

You know -- it's not too early to start planning next year's field day. By the way, what happened to Orlando??

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Letters To Editor

Editor:

I am returning the enclosure as you asked me to do, and thanks. I have already read a copy (FCC) that I had obtained. I also can assure you that I read with an open mind and I am familiar with all that has transpired along these lines, since the inception of the first petitions. I want to congratulate Florida Skip for being representative of all the different views of amateur radio, and not just a house organ for a special interest group. It goes to prove that if we will only write in our views, Florida Skip will print them without fear or favor.

In my article to the Editor for the October issue; let me state that I received comment from Ken, W4SMK, from ONYX and also provoked an article out of George, K4AV. First, let me say I discounted the comment from ONYX, as I was taught to stand up and be identified whenever I made statements or passed judgments; regardless of how popular or unpopular they might be; and to put no stock in the utterings of unidentified nonentities. At no place in my article did I refer to Servicemen's fone patches. I am all for them regardless of the cost. This also applies to Missionary work in foreign countries and any other isolated work being done for the good of America in foreign places. I do object to fone patches as such in the amateur bands between parties in the states, and am presently engaged in drawing up a petition to present to the FCC, with the aim of having this type of amateur operation ruled upon. The safety factor alone to the telephone company personnel should have some bearing on a ruling.

As for Grandfather clauses; I think even ditch diggers should be promoted to construction superintendents after due lapse of time applying their idiot-sticks. In 1937, a holder of Class B license could obtain a Class A the so-called advanced license, by answering an additional 10 questions on the examination. This time we have Grandfather clauses. One becomes an expert just by virtue of being there.

Regarding message traffic on amateur bands; I find this is a legal procedure being done by amateur radio and is sanctioned by the FCC in the communications act. Just remember no compensation in any form may be involved between the parties concerned.

Having twisted all the tiger tails in sight at present, I will now submit again to minority rules and stop making waves for the time being. But I do think I will ever just follow the leader in blind trust, as I am afraid the old bell-wether sheep may walk off a cliff and the whole flock following would end up dead. CU all on CW, AM, SSSC, NBFM, RTTY amateur commercial or otherwise, but no chicken-band for me. 73.

Robert A. Woodruff, K4JZZ
Avon Park

EDITOR:

On Thursday, October 26, 1967 -- the day before he was to be our representative at the annual banquet of the New York City Chapter of QCWA -- "Robbie" Robinson, W3RE, was seriously injured in a fall.

At this writing he is reported to have sustained a vertical fracture of the neck, and surgery is imperative as soon as he is well enough to undergo it. This is expected to be in a day or so, and he will be confined at a Staten Island hospital for from ten days to two weeks before he will be well enough to be moved to the Washington area.

We know that many of his Florida friends and fellow amateurs will want to send him a QSL or a get-well card expressing best wishes for a full and speedy recovery, and we are taking this means to notify you that mail can be addressed as follows:

Mr. H.H. Robinson, W3RE
St. Vincent's Hospital
Room 314
Bard & Castleton Avenues
Staten Island, NY 10310

73,
E.M. Zandonini, W3CDQ
Secretary/QCWA

Editor:

Not many months ago while I was still living and practicing surgery in Gainesville, Florida, and was operating a ham station, equipped with a very good phone patch K4JJZ entered his XYL Tommie K4SOL, into the J. Hillis Miller Medical Center at the University of Florida for comprehensive studies in the Department of Cardiology, in preparation for serious cardiac surgery which she had successfully performed on her thank God. The surgery was done at a later admission. Bob left her there and went back home to his work but could hear nothing and could get no information for several days. There was no communication until he was told to contact me 'on the air', which he did.

I not only gladly obtained confidential information from the doctors, paid her a personal visit but (and this is the pay off) I connected K4JJZ from his station in Avon Park through my phone patch in my station, thence through the hospital switchboard to Tommie at her phone at her bedside. My the pleasure they both enjoyed and how happy they were -- what a boost for her and consolation for him. They were very grateful and could not thank me enough.

I cannot understand his 'Blast' about phone patches.

Sincerely, WA4UJX 'Doc' now in Fort Myers Florida (North Fort Myers).
George H. Putnam, M.D.

Editor:

Please cancel my subscription to FLORIDA SKIP. As it still not worth \$2.00 as I said on my renewal on August 29, 1967.

I felt you a liar when your magazine arrived for October with editor's note page 16 on side remarks. "We didn't receive any nasty notes . . . honest AC . . ."

I thought maybe did not arrive in time for press time. Where is side remarks in November issue?

Paul Dunaway, WA4RXY,
4573 - 20th Ave. No.
St. Petersburg, Fla. 33713

(Dear Paul: Returning your two bucks plus interest, today.)

(Cont'd. on page 15)

Editor's Note

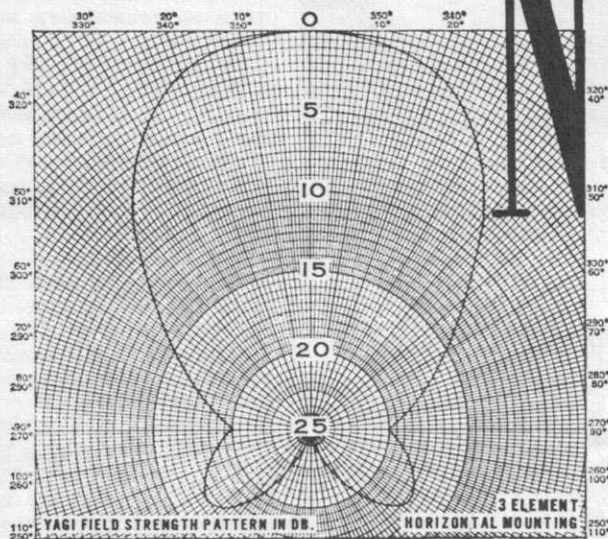
Check Page 13 for ARRL listing.

The staff of FLORIDA SKIP would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Thanks so much for your wonderful support this past year. We hope to continue SKIP as long as we receive your support and encouragement. Wenn it stops, we stop. The Staff receives no pay whatsoever. Our only "pay" is that YOU enjoy the paper.

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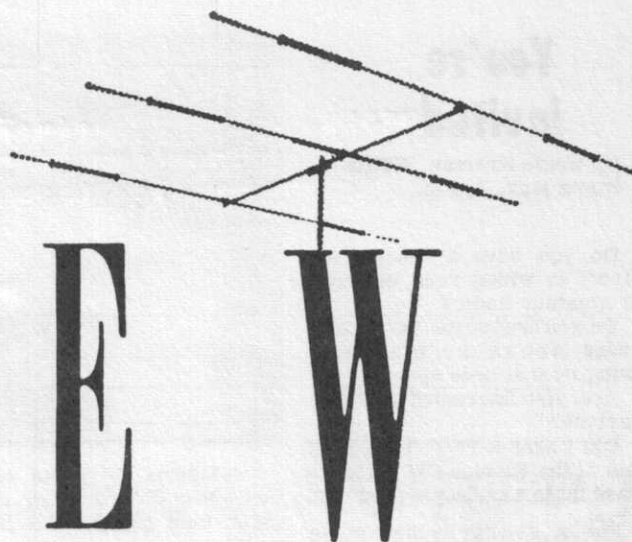
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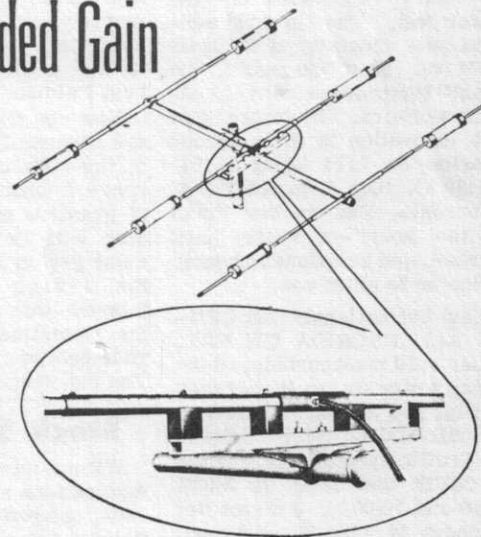
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By Regis Kramer, W4ILE
Route Mgr. E. Fla.

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Do you need some "on the air—under pressure practice to bring up that code speed?

Are you interested in Public Service?

Did I hear a YES? If so, JOIN one of the Florida CW nets. We have quite a variety to offer you.

For a starter—the Novice Hurricane Net meets each Saturday and Sunday at 1930Z (2:30 EST). This net operates in the 10-15 WPM area and is based on 7165 kc. Net Control scans the novice portion of the band for off frequency "rock" bound WN's. WA4YAK is Net Manager with WB4DDO as assistant and alternate net control.

For a leisurely 15-20 WPM operation and a really fine group of "savy" operators try the Gator Net. The Gator first session gets underway at 1330z on 3651 kc. Its a "no rush", "no sweat" temp for you retirees and shift workers. The Gator's newest innovation is their second session on 7115 kc at 1630Z (11:30 A). Ole Tom K4COO of Auburdales, Fla. is our "man of the hour"—a really hard worker, and he extends a hearty welcome to all of you.

Last but not least is our QFN—the ALL FLORIDA CW NET. Under split managership, alternating every six months between E. Fla. and W. Fla. we have direct daily liaison with the National Traffic System. QFN meets at 2330Z and again at 0300Z (6:30 and 10:00P). Present Net Manager is Alan Hinshelwood, W4BVE of Fort Walton Beach.

YOU'RE INVITED..... so "come up and see us some time" — you won't be sorry!

Trite But True

All of these dissenting viewpoints of the FCC action on Docket 15928 reminds me of what a professor at Oberlin once said to a student who said he did not like Shakespeare: "Young man, he said, you do not judge Shakespeare. Shakespeare judges you."

Onyx

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MEMBERS OF LAKE AMATEUR Radio Assn., Inc. (W4YKY) shown here with new SCM of E. Fla. L to R: W4BP, W4VDY, W4MVB (SCM) from Jax., K4AOB, K4UYN and Ron W4YPX of Jacksonville. LARA own their own club house plus all radio equipment and antenna, near Leesburg. (Photo via WA4TJS)

Dah Dah, Ditty Dah Dah

The subject is electronic keyers. Yes, I know you tried one once and maybe even for a few months but you gave up in disgust. I did the same but began to feel a little embarrassed after 40 years of brass pounding to find these younguns tripping merrily past me with Creed machine like precision. I decided to lick it this time or bust and bust I almost did!

Now you might beat my average because I was probably one of the slow ones but after two years I found this: No amount of practice on the code oscillator will lick the thing. You must get on the air and annoy the living daylight out of friends—that seems to give you the intestinal fortitude to do your best even though it is lousy. You can gauge your progress by

how soon the other fellow says, sorry must QRT now etc.

I also found that it takes 10-15 minutes to warm up and get in step with the monster. After that you are good for about an hour, after that watch out. If you have done any amount of CW operating in your past it seems you slip back into your particular old style. Your C's Y's, and Q's come out all fouled up. Your lousy spacing and the monsters programming do not agree and you lost.

I found it slow progress for a grey beard but I'll never go back to the bug. When I send "AND" it comes out that way and not "PD". There are more H's and less S's and some of my friends even compliment me but that could be pity or criticism in a sort of left handed way. In spite of everything, I say yes, it is worth the effort.

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Stock Symbols

When a much publicized communications stock was listed in 1964, company and exchange officials found themselves in something of a dilemma. A fitting "symbol" was desired, but good stock symbols beginning with "C" had become hard to find.

Ron Devoe of the Exchange staff, with an assist from writer Walter Lord, came to the rescue. In Lord's book about the sinking of The Titanic, Devoe had been reminded that the international radio symbol for "Calling Anybody" is CQ. To everyone's satisfaction, this became the stock symbol for the Communications Satellite Corporation. (From Holiday Inn Magazine)



Fax In Operation

These three stations are now operating FAX equipment in the greater Miami area. AFB4C-VW/WA4CVW, AFC4CKY/WB4CKY and AFC4AGI/WB4AGI. Fred, Tom and Jim are using various transmitters such as TT-1C/TXC/1 (CVW, CKY). AGI is using RD-92A/ux FAX recorder with a CV-172A/W converter. All stations are copying from all over the country.

News pictures, weather maps from the Weather Bureau and U.S. Air Force, U.S. Navy stations, National Meteorological Center in Washington, DC. AFC4AGI reports that 25 FAX stations are being logged on the low frequencies and one on VHF. Jim, WB4AGI is planning the building of tracking antennas Satellite copying.

WA4CVW and WR4CKY have using receivers such as Knight R100A, Hammarlund 180, BC 348's, and R19B/TRC-1. The antennas are inverted V and Yagi with corner reflector. They say after a lot of sweat they are getting good copy.

The 2045th Comm. Gp. at Andrews AFB, MD., transmits a test pattern throughout the day. With this aid they have learned to tune the equipment. They have received information from ESSA, NASA and Allied research.

At present they are using the Armstrong method of rotation. Any station wishing to compare notes contact WB4CKY at 341 NW 179th Street, N. Miami, Fla., 33169.

P.S.—We are in need of manual TM-11-2258 pse.

73, AFB4JTK

An official was filling out a government form for an alien and stated, "Your nationality... you're French aren't you?" "No informed the alien, "Both my mother and father were German, therefore I'm German." The official stuttered, "But you were born in France?" "So what's that got to do with it," said the alien, "If your dog had puppies in a stable, you wouldn't call them horses."

* * *

Your wife will probably hit the ceiling when you get home tonight," one bar patron said to his drinking companion. "Yeah, his friend said, "she's a lousy shot!"



By Jim Wilson NØWCK
-W4GDK

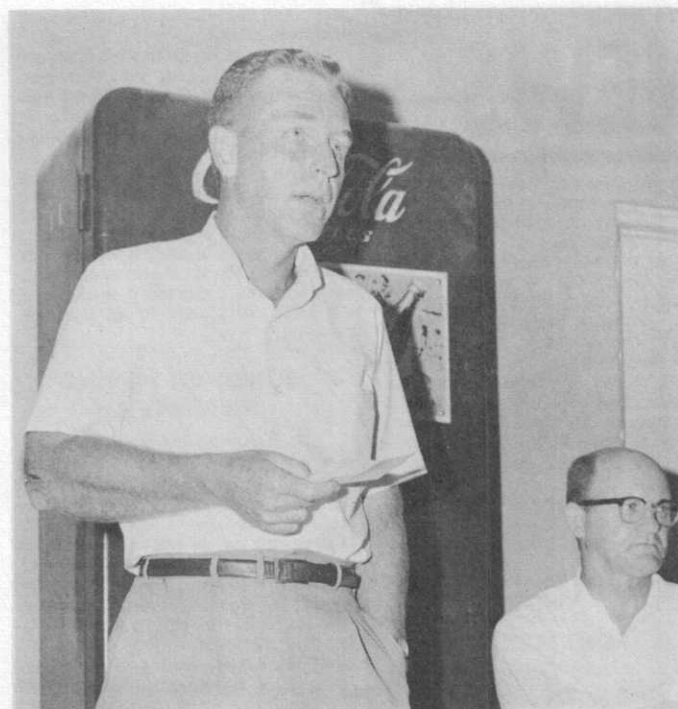
When you get snowed under with traffic it's nice to be able to find a way of moving it without delay.

Navy MARS in Florida is doing this thru the use of RTTY copy of Viet Nam traffic from the Gateway station in the West or by copy from the East Coast recipient. An acknowledgement is then given to NØIXF (Cherry Pt. Marine Base) for the traffic destined for Florida. This is being done in both N.E. and So. Florida Areas with same day distribution on local nets.

Bill Rowe NØITK of Clearwater has been given the responsibility of supervising the District for Navy MARS.

Our main Dist. RTT net is on 7301 KC daily at 2300Z (6 PM EST). All Navmars stations are urged to participate.

N.E. Florida is swinging along with good activity. Their 2 meter net on 143.7 MC is covering a large area. There is fine participation from the Or-



RECENTLY FLORIDA MARS NO. ONE held its' Annual meeting at Keystone Heights. Here A4HLO (Red) gives report while Mr. Wade Nelms, newly appointed THIRD ARMY MARS DIRECTOR looks on.
(Photo by A4IKB)

lando and Leesburg areas with new braches reaching out in all directions.

NØBZX of Jax is very active, serving as traffic rep on SSB, CW and RTTY nets. NØYJC, NØEQW, NØYJG, NØHWR and many others are doing outstanding jobs on Navmars nets.

This correspondent will be glad to answer questions about Navy MARS.

Marriage...

In a unique electronic boost to young love, an Air Force Staff Sgt. and his sweetheart were married on the 2nd and 3rd of Feb. The 2nd and 3rd? Right: the bride and groom were 11,000 miles apart, separated by the International Date Line, as the wedding vows were exchanged via MARS.

S. Sgt. Jimmy Wood of Vernon, Texas married Barbara Shelton of Dallas, Texas by phone patch. Wood is stationed in DaNang, Viet Nam. The honorary best man was M Sgt. Lowell Mashburn, AF7BSW, Veteran NCOIC of the McChord AFB, Washington, Mars Station AG5-AH. There was nothing in the regulations on weddings but the dialogue went something like this: "AG5AH this is AI8UR, are you ready with the wedding?" "Roger, we're all set," said the grinning best man Jimmy Wood. "Do you take this woman to be your lawful wedded wife, over?" "I do, over."...

And at the end of the ceremony, listeners around the world chuckled when they heard "I sure love you honey, over".

The couple met 18 months ago when Wood was in Texas. They met again in Hawaii over the Xmas holidays, but could not get a marriage license. "He wrote to me about two weeks (before the wedding," said Barbara, "suggesting I look into the possibility of a wedding over the phone. I did and the State of Texas recognizes it and so does the Air Force, so... we did it!"

See fellow, "MARS DOES EVERYTHING."

AFB4JTK/WA4JTK
Miami

With Regrets

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CLUB NEWS

VHF EASTERN FLORIDA

By Bertha Farr Eggert, WA4BMC

"Reading the Mail" on the Knights of Kilocycle, I heard Lou, W4VPQ, say that two meters was "hot" on Saturday, November 4. Also heard, that my Cuz, Clyde W4SDR, of Daytona Beach, was on two meter FM. We should have our FM gear going by Thanksgiving.

Dick, K4LFF, writes that his 6-meter beam is now up to 52 feet on a new Rohn 51 foot tower. W4APV put all the bolts and nuts in place, while Arnold, WB4EEP, and Dick, pulled the sections up the pole and hooked up the guy wires, etc. Jim, W4APV is mostly on 2-meters, FM. Jim, W4DPH, in Clearwater is on Sideband on 2-meters, with about 200 watts. Dick heard Pappy, WB4CL in Georgia, working Dixie WA4AEO, in Sugar Loaf Key. I've worked your OM, WA4VZD on 75 SSB, and I'd love to meet you on 2-meters.

Dick, K4LFF is thinking of a new venture. There is talk of starting a VHF division of the Florida Side Band Association. Any and all comments on this can be sent to Dick; join in with the gang. Maybe, if you do it right away, you can be a Charter Member. It will be \$3.00 for the first year (with a nice name plate included), and renewals at \$2.00 a year. This is a wonderful idea. This net will be on 6-meters; if anyone wants to start a net like this on two meters, write to Dick and it can be arranged.

The Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Awards Hunters Club, puts out a nice bulletin. In the last issue they announced the formation of the Florida Chapter of the National Awards Hunters Club, which is meeting at 8 PM on 50.5 Mc. Sunday nights,

with an informal Round table every night, same time and frequency. This group is in the Brooksville area. Some of the group include Al, WB4CQU, Weeki Wachee, Walt, WA4TXK, St. Petersburg, Gil, WA4YLR, Frost-proof (?), Jack, WB4EBU, Oldsmar, Len, WA4ILD, Port Richie, Archie, K4BT, Orange Park, Ted, WB4CQS, Clearwater, Paul, WA4YCV, Pinellas Park, Wayne, WA4AKS, Oldsmar, and others. I will send a copy of December Skip to Al WB4CQU, and I hope many of you will join this activity on 6-meters. I too, would enjoy doing this.

With all this activity on the bands, plus 10 meters being open each day, all of us should find plenty to do on the VHF Bands.

Have a nice Thanksgiving! 73 for now.

FORT MYERS

Ken W4SMK

In the club election in October Howard Daubman, WA4LFZ was elected President, Joe Burgess, K4HNW was elected Vice President, and Bill Hueckel, K4RQY is our new Secretary-Treasurer. Ernie Hendry, K4CAH and his officers received a standing ovation for their successful past year. In addition to the interesting programs and field trips the FMARC sponsored a Novice licensing class and put W4LX/4 in 7th, place in the Field Day in 67.

W4HSG reports a successful participation in the national Civil Defense drill. For the first time this year most of the Lee County traffic went via RTTY. Those who assisted Bob, W4HSG, in obtaining and setting up the RTTY gear were WA4DQE, W4KET, W4CQZ, W4SMK, and WA4PIL. Ed Roller W4WYJ placed in the top ten low power CW class in the ARRL DX Test.

We understand the Tampa Hamfest was bigger and better than ever this

year, and regret that this writer was unable to attend.

Any ham visitors in the Ft. Myers or Lee County area who may read this column are welcome to the club meetings here the third Monday of every month at 7:30 PM at the Yacht Basin office.

Regret to learn that Wes K4KRG is leaving the state after that fine job he did in organizing the BEBA affair. We wish him luck in the new job in DC.

Any of you in the Ft. Myers area who are active let me know what you are doing so I can put it in SKIP. A big ARL fifty eight to all my loyal readers.

SUNCOAST ROVING REPORTER

By Cathy Soehl W4BAV

We now have the Florida Chapter of N.A.H.C. (National Award Hunter's Club). WA4TXK-Walt is the Net Control every Sunday, 8 P.M. on 50.5 Mc and everyone is urged to check in. Walt turns his beam in all directions, so listen as he calls the role and check in when the beam comes your way. Charter members are WB4CQS-Ted; WB4EBU-Jack; WA4VWV-Hal; WA4TXK-Walt and WA4YJR-Gil. They have certificates in which you hunters will be interested.

The Suncoast area was well represented, as was the Floridians, at the Tampa Hamfest, Oct. 15th, at Lowrey Park. Over 200 attended and many went home happy with the "goodies" they won or swapped. WA4DHS-Fred won the main prize—a portable TV.

K4TOK-Dutch worked XE1TY-Rusty, who advised there is an American ham with a scientific expedition, digging for ancient relics, who is operating under the call of XE1PLJ/XE3-Jerry, with the base station at Merida, Yucatan, Mexico. Give him a shout on 6 meters AM.

WA4ILY-Pic and WA4KYA-Vivian's son, Spec. 4 Laurent, received a Certificate of Achievement during ceremonies at Long Binh, Vietnam, Sept. 3rd. Presentation made by his company commander, Capt. Shockley O. Gardner, Jr. Mom and Pop very proud.

W4PT-Doc Barclay flying with son Ed to Jamaica for a week of sightseeing.

WA4MHS—Leo got a "kick" out of working W1HDQ-Ed Tilton, QST VHF Editor, on cw recently. Ed was on Bear Mt. running a half watt only. Congrats.

GULFSTREAM SOCIETY

By Al Suhr, WB4AID

No one, absolutely no one, can imagine the surprised Boy Scouts when they had learned that the next code run would be a test. The fun of it was that they really went to work and passed it without any problems. Guess that should be the reward, but it isn't because next Saturday each Scout must begin to build his code practice oscillator. This business about being merit badge counselor has turned out to be a lot of fun. Yours truly and Tommy Butler, have their hands full just trying to keep up with the active minds of these young men.

And so it goes with the members of the Gulfstream Society of Amateur Radio Operators in Lake Worth. However, there is time for Society business, such as rigging the new AM-CW station. You will hear much more of WB4FPB since this has been accomplished.

There has been quite a lot written about how we are conducting classes in connection with the new license requirements as recently published by the FCC. Well, our method of member participation at the blackboard is causing very great strides in the learning processes. Jim Johnson, W4JBZ, the question handler and Stan Scallise, W4WZZ the Chief Examiner are still just as ruthless in their handling as teachers as they were last month.

Are members found all over the globe—Warren Little, WA4EFA, with IBM for this period of the college year under the Cooperative ED program—Ed Wilder, WB4AIG, PFC with U.S. Army Signal Co. in Berlin. Preparing for a job some where after he receives his Masters Degree in Physics is Stan Scallise, W4WZZ. Guess we had better get a new Station Engineer to replace Stan.

The Society would like to hear from anyone who listens to the CW drill sessions MON thru THUR at 7pm EST by WA4TBN on 21080. Also on TUES. thru FRI at 0100 GMT by WB4AID near 7090. If we are being of service, we will continue, if not we may make an adjustment in the schedule.

Hope your Thanksgiving was FB and Merry Christmas to ALL!

DADE RADIO CLUB

By W4EDP

The program the club had scheduled for the last meeting of October was a complete success, the turnout was excellent. If you should have the opportunity to see the presentation of this program by the Florida Power and Light Co. be sure to make it. Even though you may have been employed in the electrical field all your life, I

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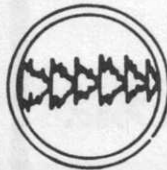
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The club will participate in the "Members Day" program put on by the Museum of Science and Industry each year to make it possible for members of the various affiliated clubs to become aware of the activities of the other clubs, their special interests, etc. We might even pick up a couple of new members that way. We will have an exhibit of DX cards, typical ham gear on the air, some home brew great on display, literature, periodicals—including Skip of course, and worn out tonsils when it is over.

You all come see us on the first and third Tuesday of each and every month at the Museum of Science and Industry at 3280 S. Miami Ave. at about 8 P.M. Come early for an eyeball QSO.

FLORIDORA NEWS

By Cathy H. Soehl -W4BAV

The Floridora representation at the Bartow Hamfest numbered 7; and at the Tampa Hamfest there were 14. W4WPD-Shirley, being Chairman of Registration at the Tampa Hamfest, had a chance to see the 17 YLs attending, one being from Brunswick, Ga. She requested all YLs to meet together, but too much compshition from the prize drawing; only 8 Floridoras met.

Floridora Pres. W4WPD-Shirley has appointed a Nominating Committee: W4QBY, Chairman; K4RHL and W4CWV. PLEASE help them and accept a nomination if requested.

W4EHN-Betty received a pretty trophy inscribed as a 1967 winner for contacting 500 CHC members. No "dishpan hands" for Betty as OM-Clem gave her a portable Kitchen Maid dishwasher. How lucky can you get?

K4BDF-Sue's long silence due to the fact she has moved: Rt. 5, Box 102-A, Milton, Fla. 32570.

W4KJE-Toni good to have you back on the net. She reports now a member of Navy Mars.

W4BMC-"Mike" studying 1st Class Commercial course of Cleveland Inst. of Electronics and trying for 25 wpm, coordinating copy on typewriter. Striving for Extra Class.

W4UF-Dot back from Washington, D.C. trip (where too much traffic); toured Bowling AFB; visited Camp Butler, N.C. Watch for Dot's article on the Camp in November issue of QST.

W4YNX-Alma reports she is meeting once a week with other Brandon hams, studying for higher class license. Good luck.

W4JCR-Anita has moved to 15800 Euclid Ave., Apt 202, E. Cleveland, Ohio 44112. Hopes to get on air in the future. Good luck, Anita, you're missed.

B.A.R.C.

By Jim Wilson W4GDK

It is interesting that we have had to increase the printing of our Club paper to 300. This increase is due to the growth in membership and to the copies we leave in special holders on the counters of various radio stores. They go fast and bring us many new members.



MEET TED WAYNE WB4CBP of South Miami. Ted is very active on 80, 40 and 20 and can be found on most traffic nets. (Skip Photo)

We are all lookin forward with pleasure to the Annual Club banquet. This year it is to be held on Saturday, Dec. 9 at the Governor's Club Hotel, Ft. Lauderdale. Dinner will be served at 7:15 PM with cocktails from 6 to 7 PM. This banquet is to replace the regular December meeting.

At our November meeting we had a fine talk by Frank Stallings of Florida Power and Light on his work in finding power leaks for us. Their excellent color movie on the subject was then shown. The many questions asked gave proof that it was a very interesting subject.

We also had our annual election of officers and directors who will be installed at the December banquet. Those elected were: Pres.-C. Ivan Peterson W4EOD; V.P.-James Young W4LZf; Secy.-Roy McCarty W4RM; Treas.-Charles McGill W4HDB and Directors: Oliver Lovendahl W4AHZ, David Taggart K4GID, Henry Navalany W4FND, Zane McCreary W4-KXI and Jack Wainwright W4IEH.

To our outgoing officers and directors we give a sound vote of thanks for a job well done. To the new officers and directors we pledge our full cooperation in the year ahead.

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Pensacola: Hams here and throughout the Section provided backup communications on 75, 10 and 2m during the tornado emergency. K4DOT and W4EPH are new OO's. W7BNR/4 and WB4DHZ are new ORS. WB4DHZ and W4EPH are new OPS. K4BSS is looking for 160m activity.

Fort Walton: WB4GYX passed his Extra Class exam. He is active on QFN late session. W4UXW's XYL now has her own call, WB4HTT. W4-IYH went mobile on 2m FM. About 10 mobiles on 2m took part in a "Spook Patrol" on Halloween evening.

Defuniak Springs: W4ITZS has a fixed station on 146.94 Mc. now. K4-KHV and W4ZGI installed FM mobiles.

Panama City: New PCARC officers are W4YUT, President; W4JIM, W4-VIY. W4IMC renewed ORS, OPS, and OVS appointments. K4VFI is NCS on 4RN, RN5, and CAN! Chipley:

WB4FLK joined Army MARS. Marianna: W45FKW received his new call of WB4HXY.

Apalachicola: K4BNK has a KW S-SB rig at the Weather Bureau radar station, but can't put it on the ham bands! He uses a Cheyenne/Comanche at home.

Madison: W44GHE has the 6m beam up 45' and is looking for skeds.

HARS NEWS

By Paul R. Young W4NQX

The Tampa Hamfest which was sponsored by the Hillsborough Amateur Radio Society Inc. and held at Lowry Park in Tampa on October 15, 1967 was a huge success. An estimated crowd of between 700 and 800

were in attendance. We served over 600 lunches and many brought their own or did not eat at the hamfest. We provided almost twice as many swap tables as we had the previous year but still did not have enough. The Tampa Hamfest is growing in size every year and we attribute its popularity to the friendly atmosphere which seems to prevail. Next year, we are looking for a crowd of over 1000 and with the help of all, I feel sure we can make it.

The Hillsborough Amateur Radio Society, Inc. held its annual election of officers at its last regular meeting. The new officers, who will direct the activities of the club for the next year are: President, Herb Brown W4I-MU; V. Pres., Bob Williams W4Z-XM; Secretary, Ted Scarlott, WN4H-RC; Treasurer, Fred Horne W4H-DS. Directors elected for a three year term are George Dixon, W4V-QT; Shirley Hill, W4WPD and Frank Ryan W4ETO. Also elected as directors to fill unexpired term of two directors who have left the club are Earl Hill, W4UFR and Larry Estes, W4HJDJ.

We all extend our heartiest congratulations to this fine selection of leaders and wish them the very best in their new responsibilities.

The Hillsborough Amateur Radio Society now has a membership of over 100 and is still growing. Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the "Odd Fellows Temple" 6220 Nebraska Ave., Tampa, Fla. at 7:30 P.M. Visitors, guests and XYL's are always welcome.

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NET NEWS

TROPICAL PHONE

By Ken W4SMK

The TPTN continues to roll along with more traffic and better conditions these days. The net time is now 5 PM EST for those of you who haven't turned back your clocks yet. Even at this time the long skip is coming in from up North. Some change from the Summer QRN and QSB hey gang?

Bill WA4NEV is back with us as NCS on Wednesday to help out. Jim WA4DEL, ex Net Manager turned college student at W4DFU, will also be helping with the NCS chores when needed. New net members are WA4WBM, Fred in New Port Ritchey, W4VGE Jim at Camp Everglades, W4AKB Gary in Ft. Pierce, and W4CEG Jim also in Ft. Pierce. An old net member who is once again active is Tandy, K4YSN down in Miami.

We are fortunate to have two talented poets in our net, namely Al WA4RGO and Jim WA4TWD. If you missed all the fun on the air asked them about it some time.

By the time you read this the holiday traffic should be coming in thick and fast. If you accept traffic for relay or delivery please give it your best effort. Even if it is just the routine ARL 58 type it may mean a good deal to the addressee and the sender. Let's show these people what kind of service we can provide, not just in emergencies, but 365 days a year.

See the SCM's traffic column for the monthly statistics and help keep the TPTN in the contest with your traffic and help. Now ARL seventy two from the net manager. See you next year.

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Net	Fqcy	ZTime	EDT
FPTN	3945	1200	7:00 A
GN	3651	1330	8:30 A
FMTN	7230	1630	12:00 N
NHN	7165	1700	2:30 P
TPTN	3945	1930	6:00 P
WFPN	3957	2200	6:00 P
QFN	3651	2300	6:30 P
FAST	3940	2330	7:00 P
FATT	3704	0000	7:00 P
4RN	3547	0045	7:45 P
RN5	7095	0130	8:30 P
EAN	3670	0130	8:30 P
4RN	3547	0230	9:30 P
CAN	3670	0300	9:30 P
QFN	3651	0330	10:00 P
RN5	3645	0330	10:30 P
SATN	3945	0330	10:30 P

SATN By WB4DSP

The SATN had a real great month in October, thanks to the Daytona Bch. homeshow. There were a couple of nights when the net ran until 3 a.m. I would like to thank K4BV, WB4BPL, WA4YII, WA4PIZ, WA2UZK, WB4BZA, K4PVA, K4TQT, WA3HFW and WA8SED for staying up those long hours and handling those volumes of traffic.

Was pleased to hear the return of WA8SED to the net. We hadn't heard him in quite a while. WB4BZA was on vacation for a week and we sure missed him. Another new station to the net is WA1EEJ, Frank, who helps out a lot on the New England traffic.

We are glad to hear WB4HNU is out of hospital. We are sorry he missed check-in number 10 on the Florida Sidebanders, but he was probably pretty busy.

The SATN has had a little trouble from international QRM in the past few weeks. Apparently this was due to a misunderstanding on the part of a 9. I think things are ok again.

Unlike the other Florida nets, the SATN changes its time to 0330Z when we are on Standard time, leaving the net at 2230 EST. We still meet at 3946 kHz Monday thru Saturday EST.

FLAMINGO NET NEWS

By W4EDP

Well, the old barbeque went off on schedule and if you missed it, was nobody's fault but your own, I hope.

We had a good break on the weather as usual, and the attendance was good as a result. We even had some of the auction experts from Ft. Lauderdale down to visit. We had some folks from near Orlando, and some from the Keys too. A very nice turnout indeed. To those that came a big thank you and come again next year; to those that did not come, sorry, we missed you.

The Net held its annual meeting and election of officers and the following are the new officers for the next year: Activities Chairman-WA4BAL Bob; Asst. Activities Chairman-W4ABI, Quinn; Net Control Station-W4GJ Walt; Treasurer-W4RWT John; Secretary-W4GGJ Kurt.

The last three listed were reelected unanimously. Many thanks are due W4MNN Charlie, the retiring activities chairman for his work on behalf of the net last year. The best to the new officers and I know that they can get all the help they might need to better the net this year.

This makes the third year in a row that W4GJ has been NCS, and he is doing a better job all the time, lots of practice, I guess. To show our appreciation the net members chipped in and bought Walt a nice gift certi-

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FMTN W4AKB

At this moment it appears that most of our vacationing Net Control Stations are back home again. Our present Net Control Stations are:

Monday-W4SDR-Clyde-Daytona Bch.
Tues.-W4GDK-Jim-Ft. Lauderdale
Wed.-K4DAX-Herb-Bradenton
Thurs-W4AKB-Charlie-Miami
Friday-W4IIZZ-Ted-Cocoa
Saturday-WB4CBP-Ted-Miami
Alter.-WA4FJA-Kelly-Jacksonville

FMTN meets every day except Sunday, at 12 noon EST or 1700z. We welcome all modes, AM, CW, SSB to check-in. Any station desiring to be placed on the roll may request the NCS to do so and you will be called each day. Stations not checking in over a period of weeks will be dropped from the roll but will be reinstated if and when the resume.

During the month of October there were 26 sessions with 473 stations handling 322 formal messages. Average QNI was 18.2; average QTC was 12.4.

Our Net Manager is W4SDR, Clyde in Daytona Beach and Asst. Net Manager is Herb, K4DAX in Bradenton, Fla.

73, Charlie

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TOP TWENTY TRAFFIC TAKERS

Each month we are happy to list the top 20 Florida traffic takers. We hope to see your call here next month.

1. WA4SCK	BPL	1082	11. WA4FGH	137
2. K4BV	BPL	637	12. WA4YII	124
3. W4ILE	BPL	504	13. W7BNR/4	74
4. K4Vfy		319	14. WA4PWF	74
5. WA4NEV		293	15. W4AKB	73
6. WB4DSP		286	16. W4MVB	70
7. W4FPC		237	17. WA4LJH	69
8. WB4HKP	BPL	198	18. WA4OHO	60
9. K4BSS		182	19. WA4HDH	56
10. W4SDR		144	20. W4KHY	56

TRAFFIC HOUNDS

By Jesse H. Morris, W4MVB

NET	QNI	QTC	SESSIONS	AVG QTC
QFN	641	679	62	10.95
GN	191	98	31	3.5
FMTN	391	322	26	12.4
TPTN	532	149	26	5.7
FATT	193	31	31	1.0
SATN	253	441	26	17.0
FAST	870	141	27	5.2
FPTN	452	155	26	5.6
WFPN	MISSING			

QFN REPORT



By Bob
Blumberg
WA4OHO

QFN activity is really skyrocketing up! The month of October produced 641 check-ins who brought 679 pieces of traffic for a FB rate of 0.651 messages/minute-almost double traffic into our midst from its fair in Daytona Beach.

Extremely happy to have Ham K4-SJH back after a hospital operation. His confinement could have lasted up to several weeks but he was in the hospital only one day! WA4NBT is back with us again using borrowed gear until his anxiously awaited 75S3 arrives! QFN now has a regular Tallahassee outlet with WA4APB, Taylor from St. Pete who is attending school. Also happy to have K4FFT (K9VSO/4) supplying good outlet for Homestead.

The best news of all is our return to good old EST! Early evening conditions are so much better now and things are really beginning to move!

QFEN was activated on the evening of October 30, due to the Western Florida tornado watch, but fortunately, nothing serious evolved. K4Vfy acted as NCS.

Let's all now give our full support to our Western Florida manager Alan W4BVE, who is now at the reigns. WA4OHO, will continue to keep the net records as Alan is a might busy guy!

Everything is "go" on QFN! We urge each and every one of you to come "where the action is" - QFN-daily at 2330 and 0300 Z on 3651 kc/s.

Dear Gladys -

Last week my bridge club met at our house and since Clyde was home he showed 'the girls' through his new shack. They had never seen a ham station before so they asked all of the questions, and made all the remarks, that ladies generally do.

When they had gone, Clyde wrote down some of the things they had said. I suppose we'll never hear the end of it. He wants Homer to have a copy, so here are a few of the outstanding comments from the time they walked in the room:

'Oh gracious, look at all of the machinery! Do you need all of this to talk to somebody else across the ocean? You must have a great big light bill every month, or do they give you a special rate? Gladys, dear, it must be nice to be married to a scientist. Did you hear the Sputniks? What did they say?'

'Can you call up my brother in Cleveland? How many times have you been struck by lightning? My cousin's father-in-law in Des Moines is an operator like you. Their name is Adams, do you know him? He said he used to have twenty meters on his radio, but now he

only has two meters, which must be easier to read.'

'How did you ever learn to do all of this, they don't actually teach it any place do they? Oh no, don't turn it on, it's raining. How do you know which thing to turn on first?'

'Oh look, here's his telegraph handle. He can send telegrams, too. Did you make all of these radios yourself? Can you get police cars on this? Do you talk to many policemen? All of this must have cost him thousands of dollars.'

'How do they know where to find you on the dial? Well, I declare it's a real teletype like

Howard Brown and the News on Channel 4. Do you have to pay for the News? Good heavens, its typing in Spanish. Isn't it cute?

But his favorite, and he swears she was serious, was: 'Do you play the Star Spangled Banner when you sign off at night?'

I wish he had written down his answers. There's a few things there I'm not too sure about myself.

Love,
Mabel

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Part II: Plot thickens: Wife enters, "What's that?" asks she.

"A transmitter" says I.

She: "What's it for?"

He: "To talk on."

She: "How much did it cost?"

He: "Not much."

She: "Why did you buy it?"

He: "It was a bargain." (This logic females understand).

She: "Why is it in my pantry."

He: "Wasn't any other place to put it."

She: "What's wrong with out in the back yard?"

And they all lived happily ever after? Not so, friend, this is only the beginning.

Then along comes the receiver and the same thorough questioning only more severe and many more questions and the pat on the back when I strung up the 80 meter dipole from the gas light in the front yard to the top of the house and down to the clothes line pole.

"Makes the house look good," she says, "almost as good as a junk yard!"

The Tech ticket stage gets even worse as the 80' tower, 5 element beam, guy wires, and TVI arrive all about the same time. The pantry gets smaller, the Yf and neighbors less understanding. The final step and last straw come as I get my Gen. Ticket. The pantry can't possibly stand any more equipment and something has to give.

Out in the backyard I go complete with all afore mentioned junk, I mean equipment, as the



MIAMI AMATEURS were honored by a visit from George Hart, W1NJM, newly appointed Communications Manager for ARRL on October 30. The meeting was held at the American Red Cross on Biscayne Blvd. Club officers of each of the Dade County and Broward Counties were present. (SKIP Photo)

Yf assumes command and complete control of my once beloved pantry.

Not being the type to give up so easily I build a 12 x 14 foot room to shelter the remnants of my hobby. Naturally with the new ticket more equipment has to be bought. A TR-3, AC and DC power supplies, phone patch, three element beam and SB-200 Linear amplifier. The room that had at one time been adequate has now shrunk to a walkway. Where will it all end? Who knows? I expect to come home any day and find my clothes out in the back yard along with a smiling wife holding a one way ticket to Siberia--for me!

Please take my advice, if you have a happy home and an understanding wife and you are not al-

Mob Violence, Amateur Style

Each day I stay on SSB I get more disgusted with the "dog eat dog" attitude that seems to have taken over the amateur bands. Fone-patch alley (14m-Hz) is a glaring example. From the actions there, I would not be a bit surprised to find an association of them petition the Commission to make the whole band exclusive fone-patch.

Where oh where did we pick up this present crowd!

ONYX

ready a ham, don't! It's cold in Siberia.

(Bill-WA5FDU in Grid Drive)



AFB4JTK/AFC4BND

The six meter experimental net has been very successful. Contact between Miami, Bradenton, and Orlando, Fla., has been made. We're sure that in the near future there will be continuous contact with all those stations and areas. We will continue reporting the new areas that will be covered.

AF4MOY "Pancho" of Point Washington, Fla., is still very active in MTS section of MARS and is a reliable outlet to the N.W. Fla. area. There was a time not long ago when he was the only equipment issuing officer in the State of Florida. He is still very active in this capacity. We felt it was about time he got a pat on the back. Thanks much Pancho.

AFB4DEV's net in the mid-Florida area is expanding again. He reports that he will have stations from Hernando, Inverness, Englewood and possibly Eau Galle soon. We hope he will not annex Miami, so we can have our own net. Very fine job Roy, keep it up.

Area 2 RATT net is Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights local time of 8 PM EST. Area 2 CW net is at 7 PM EST. Both nets are on 4580 KHZ. There is also unscheduled RATT activity before net time. As a part of Area 2 CW net. Code practice sessions are held on Saturday nights at 7 PM EST on 4580 KHZ. These sessions are conducted by Ken Gennett, AF4ME of Winter Park. The code practicing for their extra class license... We want to thank AF-GGD, Andy Thompson for this news on RATT and we welcome all the news he can supply us.

We hope that those who get this column will show it to other members so they may see that AF Mars is their column.

If you know of a ham interested in AF Mars have him or her get in touch with any Mars member and get the details. In Miami call AFB4JTK at 624-3018 or AFC4BND at 759-9847.

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Tornado Alert

As a result of 6 recorded tornadoes touch downs in Pensacola-Milton Fla. area October 30, at 4:30 P.M. the West Florida Phone was activated for emergency communications at approximately 6:30 PM CST.

Our special thanks go to W4-NOG EC who under very difficult conditions arising from intermediate power and heavy lightning at his QTH got things well under way on 3957.

Also we wish to extend our "Well Done to Gene WA4IZM who did a splendid job as NCS during the crucial hours.

Many other amateurs pitched in with their full support. It is unfortunate that several will go unnamed however, following is a list of stations that provided valuable assistance in the time of disaster: K4COV, W4CYG, WOFPA/M, W7VLC/M, W4UV-F/M, WB4EER, K4SOI, K4QOJ, K4LOY, WA4ZFK, WA4ZIM, WB4HXY, W4RKH, W4IKB, WA4-IMC, WA4EPH, WA4BYI, WA4-WAR, W4KCA, WA4SIB, and WA4DED and his able assistants.

Fortunately there were few casualties, approximately 15 and no deaths.

As SEC of W. Florida I extend my congratulations to the WFPN and others for a job well done in this sudden emergency.

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ANDREW CLARK



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By Hal Bates WA4FIU

The fall and winter meetings of the QCWA have started, not only on the air (3913 KC) every Sunday Morning 10:00 AM but the good ole EYE Ball type on the SECOND WEDNESDAY of each month excluding December.

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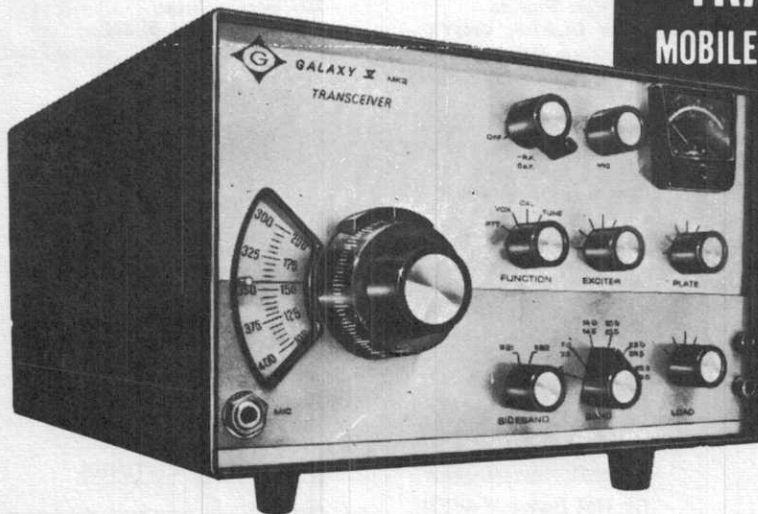
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Letters . . . (Cont'd. from Page 2

Editor:

Guess I will drop you a line to let you know that I am still receiving my SKIP and enjoy reading about all the fellows and gals in sunny Florida. It seems like an eternity since I was talking to the gang on 3940 and rag-chewing with one and all.

The climate over here in Guam is very much like that in Key West, but here you can't go 150 miles and be in Miami. This is about three times larger than Key West, but it isn't connected to anything but miles of water.

Since we have been over here I haven't been able to talk to anyone in Florida. One night I heard a JA talking to Ernie. It would have been nice to talk to him. One of these days I will get everything working in its proper order and I'll hear someone on twenty from Florida. Until then I will keep on reading my issue of Skip as soon as it comes in and enjoying each article between its covers. 73's from Guam,

Ed Pike WA1AFB/KG6

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Thanks Ed, and good luck.)

Editor:

Enclosed you'll find a check for \$5. for three years membership of Florida SKIP.

I'm living in Liberia Africa and will call sign EL1L but being a Miamian, I would like to be in touch with all Floridians thru FLORIDA SKIP. I'll be on the air by Oct. 29th in 20 and 15 meters, 14,340 and 21,300 and 1200 GMT.

73, EL1L

Editor:

I was not going to renew but have decided to try another year. I can't really find anything wrong with FLORIDA SKIP. I read much more than the average ham but about 99 percent technical articles. I am not interested in club news. In fact, I'm not interested in clubs. Prefer to operate and build. If there is anything I would prefer to see more of in SKIP, believe it would be more station photos.

73 Ken WA4LCO ex-W8LCN, W4NKQ and W3WKN, licensed

Editor:

Saw the story about Fla. Skip in the OOTC magazine, August 1967 and thought I better subscribe and find out what goes on amateur wise in Florida. Have been in and out of ham radio since 1915 when I started as 3NF in NJ.

73

W.W. Gaskell K4CV
Palm Bay, Fla.



ARMY MARS

By Joseph C. Patterson AD4TZI

Recently there came over amateur radio an inquiry as to whether a holder of an FCC Technician amateur license might be eligible for membership in Army MARS. Possibly there may be other amateurs, among them some readers of FLORIDA SKIP, who have similar questions. To answer such, following is the report of a recent survey among Army MARS members in the Third Army District. As of that date, there was 1038 members in Third Army MARS. Among them were holders of:

434 Gen. Licenses	41.8%
269 Cond. Licenses	25.9%
137 Advan. Licenses	13.2%
135 Technician Licenses	13.0%
34 Extra Class Licen.	3.3%
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12 Novice Licenses	1.2%

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It is evident from the foregoing that membership in Army

MARS is not restricted to holders of higher class FCC amateur licenses. So, if you are considering making application to Army MARS, don't let the class of your present amateur license hold you back. (Novice licensees should have at least six months remaining on their Novice licenses when making application.) Send a letter or postal card to Wade L. Nelms, MARS Director, Third U.S. Army, Fort McPherson, Ga., 30330. He will send you full information and duplicate copies of Application Card Form No. DD630.

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THE TAMPA HAMFEST was crowded this year, with a reported 800 or so present. The Hillsborough Amateur Radio Society plans even a bigger and better one next year.
(Photo by W4IEH)

Some Facts About EARS ...

The EARS, formerly the Eglin Amateur Radio Society, is established on Eglin AFB as a private association in accordance with AFR-176-1. Its existence and operation have been approved by the Base Commander, Colonel Peck.

The current home of EARS is Bldg. 809, located just north of the N.C.O. Club. The building is shared with the Civil Air Patrol.

The EARS Amateur Radio Society was formed in 1949 and has been active continuously since that time. While there is a continual turnover of membership the average membership is about thirty, with about ninety percent of these holding FCC licenses as amateurs.

The Club has its own radio station with the call sign W4SRX. Over the years the club has acquired from its own resources a fairly complete set of equipment for operation and all ham bands from 80 meters through 2 meters, including AM, CW, and SSB. Antennas include rotary beams for 20, 15, 10, 6 and 2 meters; verticals for local coverage on 10 and 2 meters; and horizontal dipoles for 80, 40, and 20 meters.

EARS plays a large part in furnishing communications for Eglin in times of emergency. EARS support is covered in EAFB Operations plans 2-64, 7-64 and 4-65, which are the Disaster Control, Emergency Communications, and Hurricane Plans. Basically, EARS provides support in two areas: 1, through the VHF home stations and mobile units of the members, it provides communications from Eglin to surrounding housing areas

and designated shelter points, for message handling, recall of personnel, etc., when telephone lines are overloaded or out of operation; 2, through its high power H.F. single sideband and C.W. stations it provides back up circuits to such off-base points as Miami and New Orleans Weather Bureaus, American Red Cross Headquarters in Atlanta and Civil Defense Headquarters in Atlanta, and Civil Defense Headquarters in Jacksonville, Fla. and Thomasville, Ga. In addition, direct contact on HF and VHF is maintained with the Okaloosa County Civil Defense offices in Crestview.

Close liaison with MARS is maintained and the Club itself is a MARS member and authorized to operate on MARS frequencies as AF4SRX. Messages can be transferred from amateur to MARS channels and vice-versa as required.

(From the BANDSPREAD-
W4JNI)



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